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**Dorothy Wright Nelson**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1928  
Education: UCLA 1950 AB, 1953 JD; USC 1956 LLM  
Began Service: 1980  
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

**Academic:** Instructor, USC Law School, University of Southern California (1957-1958); Assistant Professor, USC Law School, University of Southern California (1958-1961); Associate Professor, USC Law School, University of Southern California (1961-1967); Professor, USC Law School, University of Southern California (1967); Interim Dean, USC Law School, University of Southern California (1967); Dean, USC Law School, University of Southern California (1968-1980)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American Bar Foundation, American Bar Association; American Judicature Society; The American Law Institute; Association of American Law Schools; Beverly Hills Bar Association; Federal Bar Association; International Association of Judges/Union Internationale des Magistrats; International Bar Association; Los Angeles County Bar Association; National Association of Public Administration; State Bar of California; Women Lawyers Association of Los Angeles; World Association of Lawyers

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**William C. Canby, Jr.**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1931  
Education: Yale 1953 BA; Minnesota 1956 LLB  
Began Service: 1980  
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter  
Political Affiliation: Democrat

**Academic:** Assistant to the President, State University of New York at Old Westbury (1967); Professor, Arizona State University (1967-1980); Visiting Fulbright Professor of Law, Makerere University (1970-1971)

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Charles E. Whittaker, Supreme Court of the United States (1958-1959)

**Government:** Associate Director and Deputy Director, Ethiopia, Peace Corps (1962-1964); Director, Uganda, Peace Corps (1964-1966); Special Assistant (D-MN), Office of Senator Walter F. Mondale, United States Senate (1966)

**Chambers of Senior Judge William C. Canby, Jr. continued**

**Legal Practice:** Associate, Oppenheimer, Hodgson, Brown, Baer & Wolff (1959-1962)

**Military Service:** United States Air Force (1956-1958)

**Current Memberships:** Maricopa County Bar Association; Minnesota State Bar Association; State Bar of Arizona

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**Robert Boochever**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1917  
Education: Cornell 1939 AB, 1941 JD  
Began Service: 1980  
Appointed By: President Jimmy Carter

**Government:** Assistant United States Attorney, District of Alaska, United States Department of Justice (1946-1947)

**Judicial:** Associate Justice, Alaska Supreme Court (1972-1980); Chief Justice, Alaska Supreme Court (1975-1978)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Faulkner, Banfield, Boochever & Doogan (1947-1972)

**Military Service:** Captain, United States Army (1941-1945)

**Current Memberships:** Alaska Bar Association; American Bar Association; American College of Trial Lawyers; American Judicature Society; The American Law Institute

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**Robert R. Beezer**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1928  
Education: Virginia 1951 BA, 1956 LLB  
Began Service: 1984  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Judicial:** Judge Pro Tem, Seattle Municipal Court (1962-1976)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Schweppe, Krug, Tausend & Beezer (1956-1984)

**Military Service:** United States Marine Corps Reserve (1951-1953)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American College of Trust and Estate Counsel; King County Bar Association; Washington State Bar Association

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**Cynthia Holcomb Hall**  
Senior Judge

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Education: Stanford 1951 AB, 1954 JD; NYU 1960 LLM  
Began Service: October 4, 1984  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Richard H. Chambers, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit (1954-1955)

**Government:** Trial Attorney, Tax Division, United States Department of Justice (1960-1964); Attorney-Advisor, Office of Tax Legislative Counsel, United States Department of the Treasury (1964-1966)

**Judicial:** Judge, United States Tax Court (1972-1981); Judge, United States District Court for the Central District of California (1981-1984)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Brawerman & Holcomb (1966-1972)

**Military Service:** United States Naval Reserve (1951-1953)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; State Bar of California

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**John T. Noonan, Jr.**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1926  
Education: Harvard 1946 AB; Catholic U 1949 MA, 1951 PhD; Harvard 1954 LLB  
Began Service: January 16, 1986  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Academic:** Assistant Professor, The University of Notre Dame (1961-1963); Professor, The University of Notre Dame (1963-1966); Visiting Professor, Southern Methodist University (1966); Professor and Chairman, University of California, Berkeley (1967-1985); Visiting Professor, Stanford University (1970); Visiting Professor, University of California, Los Angeles (1974); Visiting Professor, Harvard University (1989)

**Government:** Special Staff, National Security Council (1954-1955); Chairman, Brookline Redevelopment Authority (1958-1962); Advisor, Rockefeller Commission on Population Growth and the American Future (1972); Consultant, National Institutes of Health, United States Department of Health and Human Services (1973); Consultant, National Endowment for the Humanities (1973-1975)

**Legal Practice:** Herrick & Smith (1955-1960)

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**David R. Thompson**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1930  
Education: USC 1952 BS, 1955 LLB  
Began Service: 1985  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Colton, Thompson & Thompson (1957-1965); Partner, Thompson & Thompson (1965-1985)

**Military Service:** United States Navy (1955-1957)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; American Board of Trial Advocates; San Diego County Bar Association; State Bar of California

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**Edward Leavy**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1929  
Education: Portland 1950 AB; Notre Dame 1953 LLB  
Began Service: March 23, 1987  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Affiliation:** Judge, United States Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court of Review

**Judicial:** Judge, Lane County District Court (1957-1961); Circuit Judge, Oregon Circuit Court, Second Judicial District (1961-1976); Magistrate Judge, United States District Court for the District of Oregon (1976-1984); Judge, United States District Court for the District of Oregon (1984-1987)

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